

One Hundred Third Congress  
of the  
United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday,  
the fifth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-three*

An Act

To extend the period during which chapter 12 of title 11 of the United States Code remains in effect, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of  
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF TIME PERIOD.**

The first sentence of section 302(f) of the Bankruptcy Judges, United States Trustees, and Family Farmer Bankruptcy Act of 1986 (Public Law 99-554; 100 Stat. 3124) is amended by striking "1993" and inserting "1998".

**SEC. 2. FILING OF PLAN.**

Section 1221 of title 11, United States Code, is amended by striking "an extension is substantially justified" and inserting "the need for an extension is attributable to circumstances for which the debtor should not justly be held accountable".

**SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION OF AMENDMENT MADE BY SECTION 2.**

(a) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—Except as provided in subsection (b), this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) **APPLICATION OF AMENDMENT MADE BY SECTION 2.**—The amendment made by section 2 shall not apply with respect to cases commenced under title 11 of the United States Code before the date of the enactment of this Act.

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

*Vice President of the United States and  
President of the Senate.*